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SHEEP KILLED BY GOLD.

Loss Very Great on This Coast, but Wool Wins the Day.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 1.—[Special Telegram]—Advices from all important points on the Pacific slope now state that this winter has been extremely severe, particularly bad one to wool-growers, the repeat heavy storms having had the effect of killing large numbers of sheep, in some cases whole flocks having been destroyed. This loss is reported to have been unusually severe in Northern California, Southern Oregon, Nevada and Utah, but the wool-growing industry is as general throughout the United States that the loss, it is claimed here, will have little or no influence on the price of wool in Boston and leading Eastern markets, and therefore the sheep owner who has pulled his flock through can expect no increase over the price of last year. Under these circumstances it is said the loss will fall entirely on sheep raisers, and the losses of some of these will be heavy enough to drive them out of the business.

Speaking of the situation to day, a prominent wool dealer of this city said the amount of wool produced in California last winter was about one-fourth of a million each. They would only be willing to subscribe as much as any other well-to-do citizen. The committee is strongly impressed with the very grave importance to the city of the action of the members of Mr. Hunt's proposition. The citizens must be made to understand the necessity of moving in the matter, irrespective of the millionaires. The mayor felt at some length upon the difficulty of raising money for public enterprise, and privately made a proposal. It was his idea to have a sum of \$100,000 and just as hard in proportion to raise a larger amount. A special committee appointed to wait upon the members of this committee had recommended to the declaration that they could not do so, and with it in his power to further its acceptance [Applause]. He thought no loss could be sustained, unless the bonds were speedily reduced to cash. Barring the first assessment that would be made, it was his opinion that they will most likely be so well sustained after half of them are paid off. It is not policy for us or justice to Mr. Hunt to postpone decisive action any longer.

MEETING DECIDED ON.

A free expression of opinion was then called for, but no one caring to respond the motion was put, and unanimously carried.

A meeting of the committee was immediately called, and it was decided to hold the mass meeting at the Tabernacle next Tuesday evening at 7:30 o'clock.

NEWS FROM WALLA WALLA.

WALLA WALLA, March 1.—[Special Telegram]—A family named Weatherman, living near Milton, are in a deplorable condition. Last fall the husband died leaving a widow and ten children. The oldest, a girl of 18, is sick with scarlet fever. Reports say that the neighbors have abandoned them to their fate, but a former employee came to their rescue and is now caring for them. A few days ago the oldest girl died, and more will probably follow, as the whole family are sick. The widow is about to become a mother.

On account of the closing of Snake river, Mr. Aaron F. Parker and wife returned here this afternoon, having traveled home as far as Elkhorn.

Grain and hay are now being shipped to the country north for feeding impoverished stock. Several carloads have been sent to

Prague for that purpose.

A corps of engineers surveying and platting the city in anticipation of adoption of proposed sewerage system, find the conditions most favorable, and a legislative enactment permitting bonding for the contemplated improvement will follow soon.

J. W. Moore and D. Clark, strangers, charged with numerous recent thefts, chiefly in hotels, were arrested here. Stolen property was found in their possession.

The weather continues so cold as to compel shutting down the floating mills.

The weather is very severe and is reported 46° below. The famous country reports it as showing again very hard.

Governor Moore says in reference to his possible appointment as receiver of the Seattle Lake Shore &amp; Eastern railroad that he would accept it if the court desired, but could not be a party to a wrecking scheme to denude the reported hostility between railroads and Spokane Falls, and says he would not accept any stock or bonds of the railroad.

William O'Donnell, the farm hand injured by a water tank falling on him at Riverside station, is in a serious condition. A tank with 400 gallons of water rested on his body fifteen minutes. Harkins, a co-laborer, was not so badly injured as reported.

As soon as Governor Moore and Mayor Blaack return, active measures will be taken to insure the early building of the contemplated hotel here.

W. F. Ellsworth, of this city, has been appointed senior warden of the United States Penitentiary at McNeil's island.

At a meeting of the directors of the agricultural society this afternoon it was resolved to hold the next fair Monday, October 6, for six days. The speed programme will be announced April 1.

J. A. McCormick, special agent of the land department, is in the city.

NEWS FROM SALEM.

SALEM, March 1.—[Special Telegram]—The Nonpareil Needn't Fight Unless He Wants to. The Marine is In.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 1.—[Special Telegram]—If Dempsey and La Blanche ever meet again in this city it will not be under the auspices of the California club, in all probability. La Blanche considers that the directors made a great mistake in allowing Dempsey to taunt him the other night as he did, in the presence of a large crowd of hearers.

La Blanche now declares that he will have nothing more to do with the California club.

If a match should be made between Dempsey and himself the Occidental or Golden Gate clubs will probably be chosen. He says if Dempsey does not wish to accept his last condition he needn't.

IRONWORKERS' WAGES.

Strikes Ordered in San Francisco Foundries—General Reduction.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 1.—At a special meeting of the ironmolders Union to-night it was decided to order strikes in fourteen iron works controlled by the Engineers' and Foundrymen's Association.

Among the shops affected are the Union Iron Works and Pacific Iron Works.

The strike will affect about 1,000 men and is on a question of wages.

It was reported to day that the Pacific

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TERRITORY OF WASHINGTON. ss.  
COUNTY OF KING.

I, Henry Argens, being duly sworn, do depose and say that I am a resident of the city of Seattle, in the county and territory above named; that by occupation I am a machinist and safe expert, and as such have been employed during the past five days in opening the safes of the different manufacturers, which passed through the late disastrous fire, including the "Diebold," "McNeil and Urban," "Hall," "MOSLER," "Chicago" and the "Webb Safe." The safe known in this market as the "Webb Safe," manufactured by the National Safe and Lock Company, of Cleveland, Ohio, opened decidedly in the best condition; many of them, large and small, were in the hottest portion of the fire. It is my conviction that they have furnished by far, better protection against fire than any of the before mentioned makes of safes. In no case did I find the contents of the "Webb Safes," from the smallest to the largest, injured by fire, a fact which I can not speak of any of the others.

HENRY ARGENS.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this twelfth day of June, 1890.

E. F. BLAINE, Notary Public.

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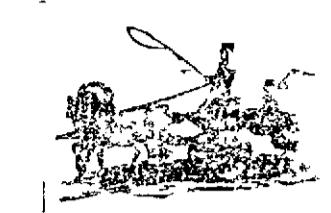
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Judge S. J. Band is a Dec 31, 1890, in favor of the defense. The case of S. E. Green-Bald in the City Court was held in Wed 1, the City Court, the Mayor's.

It will be remembered that on the 1st of March, 1890, the highest bidder got the Frissel.

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THE ALASKA SEAL LEASE.

Boss Platt Not Interested.—The Highest Bidder Got the Frissel.

New York, March 1.—[Special Telegram]—When the bids for the seal fisheries of Alaska were opened at Washington it was understood that T. C. Platt would be found to be interested in it. His trip to Alaska strengthened this impression. He was seen at the Hotel Avenue Hotel and said:

What I know of this matter is what I have learned from the newspaper. I am neither directly nor remotely connected with, or interested in, the North American Commercial Company, nor, for that matter, in the seal fisheries of Alaska.

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Prices of Rubber Very Elastic.

NEW YORK, March 1.—Manufacturers of rubber boots and shoes have adjourned their meeting until Wednesday next, when they will meet in Boston. A few days ago it was decided to advance the prices of rubber boots and shoes 10 per cent., but an advance of 12 per cent. is now contemplated. One of the largest shoe manufacturers has just bought all the rubber obtainable in this market, aggregating nearly 1,000,000 pounds. The unexpected news that the crop is being cut short through an epidemic on the interior waters of the Amazon causes anxiety on the part of those importers who have sold short and consumers who are bare of supply.

WASHINGON, March 1.—[Special Telegram]—Referring to the fur seal lease Secretary Windom says he had no alternative in the matter, the bid accepted being the best made, with unexceptionable backing. Under the terms of the lease, if 100,000 seals are taken yearly the government will receive with oil and other bounties, probably \$20,000,000 for twenty years, or if Windom adheres to the plan to allow an annual catch of only 60,000, the government will be paid in that time about \$13,000,000. This is double that of the seal lease cost in the first place.

AN EXPORT MANAGER DEFECTS.







## The Oregonian.

PORTLAND, SUNDAY, MARCH 2.

## RELIGION AND LIFE.

Christianity is a stouter and clearer thing than formerly because men have faced its difficulties instead of ignoring them. It is growing in strength in proportion as it frees itself from irrational assumptions and supernatural pretensions and harmonizes with, or tends to conform to, the universal and absolute in religion. The permanent effect of its strength is not in the dogma that its founder was sent into the world to redeem the world from the sins of Adam and Eve, but in the fact that it has its foundation in a truth that conforms to, and in its high degree nourishes and supports, the spiritual and religious nature universal in man. It is freeing itself, as rapidly perhaps as it can, from the superstitions that came into it through the influences of paganism and is taking firmer hold of the thought and heart of the world in proportion as it frees itself of impediments that obstruct its movement toward what's absolute, permanent and universal in religious thought and feeling. True religion requires neither temples, iconoclasties nor creeds. It is a thing of the heart, life or soul. The expression, "The Kingdom of God is within you" is a sufficient definition of the nature of religion and of the source of its power. It is the basis of Christianity and the secret of its success. Good, not bad, is the test of religious things.

What's from lack of appetite, superabundance to choose from, or failure of digestive power, certain it is that solid mental food must be reduced to nupts before the general reader will even try to swallow it.

The tendency of the general mind is to accept up to authority what it is difficult to analyze or believe, and the only way in which general inquiry can be started is to put the idea in some comprehensible and therefore attractive form. A few persons have been able to hit this in the religious novel and some recent publications of this sort have had extraordinary circulation. That they are somewhat superficial in their presentation and treatment is apparent to the reader who has kept pace with the progress of rationalism thought. The risk attending treatment of great questions is not slight. But almost anything is better than general acquiescence in ignorance. Let's have a subject, and we should be unashamed of it. Let's have a definite effort to bring the discussion or examination within reach of the general class of readers, who cannot stay such a subject abstractly, and can only begin to see the light of its truth when it is presented through pictures of human life and character.

The tendency of all this is to make religion a reasonable thing. Such in its true essence it is and must be. Christianity becomes stronger and clearer as it fits itself more and more for acceptance by elimination of those dogmatic assumptions that are against reason as developed by history and exp.ience.

## THE PRISONER OF THE VATICAN

The fanatical advocates of the restoration of the temporal power of the pope in Italy are "out of describing him as 'The Prisoner of the Vatican'." The matter of the temporal power is not a prisoner of any. The law of papal usurpations of 1771 gives an independent postal and telegraph service to the Vatican free from national supervision, and all charges and taxes. The pope is exempted from the duty of allegiance, and may keep his own guards, and any attempt upon his person, even if it be only an insult, is punished exactly as if it were an attempt upon the king. The conclaves of cardinals are free from political or police investigations. All envoys, ecclesiastics and couriers of the pope to foreign nations enjoy the same immunity and the same prerogatives given to the envoys of the Italian government. The state, videothim and income of \$300,000 a year which he refuses to touch, and secures him a magnificent palace, which includes more than 200 stables, 30 courts and 400 rooms. The total number of rooms, including closets and cellars, is 11,000. His present spiritual and temporal empire employs 1000 persons, including 200 clerical, 100 lay persons, 1000 concubines, 1000 supernumeraries, 2000 extra and honorary cardinals, 1000 intendents and stationmasters and 3000 clerks. The so-called "Prisoner of the Vatican" enjoys a captivity more splendid than any court of Europe when we remember that the Vatican contains the finest art gallery and library in the world, besides magnificent gardens and grounds of vast extent.

The pope is as free to leave the Vatican at any time and go where he pleases as King Humbert himself. The liberty of the church, when in 1870 Pius the Ninth in his own handwriting relinquished all claim to temporal power, was carefully guarded. Italy did not turn the monks out of the monasteries helpless upon the world, but permits them to live out their days in their abbeys and charters. She permits no access to the monastic ranks, but pays the monasteries for the property she sequesters in government hands.

The papal Catholic, the queen, a devout Catholic Italy's large Catholic, restore Italy will never give up her unity to restore the temporal power of the pope. The singular thing is that Pope Leo should not see that a far less infallible man, Pius the Ninth, clearly saw that the real power of the pope lies in his spiritual authority and freedom, not in a temporal sovereignty. While the pope is at present in no sense a prisoner in the Vatican he neglects no opportunity to increase the hostility of the national government to the Vatican. The frankest expression of the hostility of the Vatican to the Italian government is heard from the Catholic prelates in America in the Bruno letters of Cardinal Gibbons and other dignitaries, and the public advocacy of rebellion against Italian unity in order to restore the temporal power of the pope.

In Rome the petty resentment of the pope at the erection of the statue of Bruno and the publication from the archives of the Inquisition of his trial and horrible torture have been manifested in the most flagrant way. He was shown in turning. Prince Maffei Crispini of the house he had wanted many years from the Propaganda. The purpose of Pope Leo is to be not only a spiritual sovereign but a political power in the internal affairs of nations, and so unrelenting have been his efforts in this direction that the Italian government begins to grow more aggressive in its policy as is shown by recent anti-clerical legislation. By the so-called Plout Works bill which has lately been passed by the chamber of deputies the funds of the charitable confraternities are to be withdrawn to boards chosen by the municipalities. Priests are expressly made ineligible for membership to these boards, and by this act some 9000 of the minor Italian clerics are stripped of their stipends, and the poor are made to understand that the charitable boards are not by the hand of lay officials and not by the hand of the pope. This measure looks like an attempt to teach the church that its security and durability rests in the hands of the civil power. The present anti-clerical legislation is conducted by lay officials and not by the hand of the pope. This measure looks like an attempt to teach the church that its security and durability rests in the hands of the civil power.

The Jew depicted by Shakespeare was, of course, not drawn from life, as the Jews were exiled from England toward the close of the 13th century, and were not permitted to return until 1651, the year of Cromwell. David Philpott thinks that "no one can compare Shylock with the Barabbas of Marlowe, without recognizing a purpose on the part of Shakespeare to modify and soften the popular feeling toward the Jew, to picture a man whose Marlowe painted a monster; if not indeed to mirror for Christians their own usus and cruelty." The great German Lessing pictured the Jew in flattering colors in his drama of "Nathan

the Wise," and the English dramatist, Cumberland, in 1784, declared that the play of "The Jew," his purpose was to render justice to a calumniated people. He says of a Spanish story in which he introduced a noble character under the name of Abraham: "I was a little ungrateful, thinking it high that something should be done for a persecuted race. I seconded my appeal to the charity of mankind by the character of Shylock (in the play of "The Jew") which I copied from that of Abraham." Walter Scott, in "Redgauntlet," pictured what some writers have termed the ideal side of the Jewish character. Anybody who has read the life and the poems of the late Emma Lazarus will feel that she could be easily drawn naturally to the light of "Rebecca" Dickens in his youth characterized the Jew in Fagin, but made efforts for his innocence by his picture of "Itali" in our "Mutual Friend." Disraeli, always true to his race, treated the Jew with honor in his fictions, but Rabbi Phillips says that George Eliot's eloquent picture of "Mordene" in "Daniel Deronda," stands or the eloquent picture of the oppressed Jew of the Middle Ages, that no modest Jew would go back to Palestine if he could. The reader will note upon the Jew by the great classic writers, Ciceron, Horace, Tauron and Tacitus to be taken as the natural expression of hospitality and contempt on the part of the great conqueror upon the conquered, who fought bitterly to the last, and even in slavery would not abandon their "law and the prophets." It was the contempt and race hate expressed by the English for the French from Creve to Waterloo, the contempt and hate felt to this day by the English for the Isle of Wight party, the contempt and hate felt by the South or the North in the old days when the South sat in the saddle while the North subsequently adjusted the stirrups and buckled the girth, the contempt and hate expressed to day by Germany for France.

## WAS SHYLOCK A VILLAIN?

The recent personification in Portland of Shylock by the German tragedian, Bandmann, revives the disputed question whether Shakespeare's Jew was an absolute ingrained, cruel villain, or only a man of powerfully intelligent and intense nature who had been powerfully influenced by the oppression he suffered.

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the substance of the helpless and reckless; and in a generation or two the old state of society would be restored. Nature is mightier than artful theory. The scheme won't work.

Among the subjects to be considered by the international labor conference soon to meet at Berlin is the regulation of mine work with reference to the prohibition of the labor of women and children underground, and of shortening the shifts in unhealthy mines. These are elements of the labor problem that requires intelligent, humane and prompt solution. They are relatively of far greater importance than the question of wages, upon which strikes are usually based. They suggest conditions in the lives of these humble toilers to which humanity cannot afford to submit. Since it is necessary for mines to be worked, and as a matter of fact the miners are not to be replaced by machinery, the miners should stand up to oppose itself to the plan of campaign was treated with contempt by the Irish, who knew that the pope had sold his influence to Lord Salisbury, just as he had previously sold it to Bismarck to secure a modification of the Fink Law. Patriotism in both Ireland and America is so much stronger than priesthood that a persistence in the present papal policy of political intrusion into the affairs of nations will finally result in a Catholic church which, accepting the teaching of Dolberg, will be faithful to the dogmas of Ignatius. The reader will note upon the Jew by the great classic writers, Ciceron, Horace, Tauron and Tacitus to be taken as the natural expression of hospitality and contempt on the part of the great conqueror upon the conquered, who fought bitterly to the last, and even in slavery would not abandon their "law and the prophets." It was the contempt and race hate expressed by the English for the French from Creve to Waterloo, the contempt and hate felt to this day by the English for the Isle of Wight party, the contempt and hate felt by the South or the North in the old days when the South sat in the saddle while the North subsequently adjusted the stirrups and buckled the girth, the contempt and hate expressed to day by Germany for France.

## WHY NATIONALISM WON'T WORK.

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## SILENT TO AN OREGON LADY

## To the Party Tuesday Night—Mrs. King's Leader—A Wedding is East Portland.

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## The regular semi-monthly party of The Owls of G. A. R. had Tuesday evening was well attended. The hall was very comfortable, making it very pleasant for those who did not sing. The dance programme of the club makes a very pretty and graceful, and is a handsome specimen of lithography. The next party, to be given by the Young People's Society of Calvary Presbyterian church gave a very enjoyable social in the church parlor. Much praise is due the social committee for the pleasant way in which they entertained those present. During the forepart of the evening a neatly arranged programme was well rendered, which concluded with a bountiful repast in the dining room.

## Mrs. King's Luncheon.

## The Owls are now having their luncheons in term coats or marble.

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Written for the Sunday Oregonian.  
WILD VIOLETSI know a dell where the violet grows;  
It's a safe spot on all the earth.  
It's not safe to let them know;  
They'd give them birth.These flowers are the first sweet breath of spring;  
Amid the deep dewy morn they bloom,  
As the sun rises, and the dewy morn  
Is in the tomb.They have an odor of the leafy wood,  
A fragrance that is sweet from the spring,  
The notes where the wild-birds unfold,  
And birds sing.Their freshness is their fragrance and their charm,  
No different from the rose's warm perfume;  
To be so much their amethystine shades  
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Carrie Driscoll.

Sunset Pass;  
(OR.)  
Running the Gamble Through Apache Land.BY CAPT. CHAS. KING,  
AUTHOR OF "THE DESERTER," "A WAR-  
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CHAPTER VI.

FOR ten minutes Pike remained at his post of observation on top of the rock, watching the Indians as they slowly and cautiously moved down the pass in the direction of the abandoned camp. The children, worn out with their play, and the fatigues of the climb, were sleeping soundly on the peak. Nellie, with her fair head pillow'd in patient Kate's lap, Black Jim, too, was lying where the sun alone fell upon him, and snoring away as placidly as earlier in the morning. Kate, far back in the cave had no idea what was going on in the pass below; but

anyhow. Don't you worry yourself, old gus; if they do come this way, as they may to-morrow morning, we'd give them a good send-off, rejoining with the Indians and the wagons, when the Indians would have been lost there for which Pike's party would have no possible use up here in the cave, and this included plenty of food. The Indians, however, were not to be trifled with, Pike said, they would doubtless be occupying some little time with the division of the spoils, and longer in baying a horse or two," groaned Pike. "As it is there's just enough to exultante the gang and keep them singing all the night; but a horse or two would surely be lost after another as Jim and I could have gone down and murdered the whole crowd. Not one of 'em could ever have known what happened."

The Indian shouts redoubled; every accent was that of triumph. They were indeed rejoicing over the fact that in the Indians' arms the wagons were won. Of course a great deal of property had been left there for which Pike's party would have no possible use up here in the cave, and this included plenty of food. The Indians, however, were not to be trifled with, Pike said, they would doubtless be occupying some little time with the division of the spoils, and longer in baying a horse or two, "groaned Pike.

Looking down the road, he could see the Indians, brawling insanely by side, Manuelito still lashed to the back of one of them. Two young Indians stood guard over him and their four-footed captive; but even these fellows were by no means forgotten; for every now and then they could be seen running back to them with something to eat and, after exchanging a word or two, hurrying again the wagons.

"Pike's words, but not shared by the Indians, were the voices of little Indians, banded into a corner of the cave, and there seated herself, moaning and weeping, but no longer making any outcry. Pike deduced that it would be necessary for him to go once more to the watch tower, and so he took his coat, watered the gun of the Indians the rest of the day. Before starting, however, he called up Jim and gave him his instructions: "You see that the sun is almost down. The chances are that they will be so near that darkness will settle down upon us before they fairly get through with their jubilee. Then, again, it may be that the Indians, who have some fun of their prisoners, will bring them to the wagons, and had told wonders tales of its effects. In less than a minute with the single exception of their entry on the hill, every Tonito was struggling, shouting, laughing and shrieking with fury, the friendly wagon and Pike kept from the sound. The Indians' little state of iniquity was rapidly disappearing. Every moment the noise waxed louder and fiercer as the deep intonations of the principal Indians did their possements. The Indians were shrill intonations, vehement invocations and repreach; Pike even hoped for a minute that there had been enough after all to start them fighting among themselves, but the scope was dubious. It was gloom and darkness, and the fire, once excited, blazed around the two fires. He could no longer see Manuelito or the mules, but suddenly he heard a sound of a simultaneous rush and yell the whole band leaped into the air and with a hideous shriek and up to the rocks where their helpless prisoner still sat bound and helpless—more dead than alive and Pike followed, greeted him with a poor fellow greeted him with a groan.

"My God!" groaned the old soldier; "it is awful to have to live here and make no move to help him. He would have cut all our throats without a twinge of conscience, but I have no feelings to help him. Kate and those poor little ones. They can't help hearing his cries and shrieks. What an awful night will be for them! No use of my staying up here now. I must go down to the bottom of the hole."

For back in the black recesses of the cave he found them. Nellie trembling and sobbing with her head pillow'd in Kate's and covered with a shawl so as to shut out, if possible, the awful sounds from below. The Indian woman was still stirring in sleep and was at the same time intently praying to all the saints in the calendar for help in their woe, and for mercy for that poor wretch whose mad cries and impatience rang out on the still night air, even louder than the voices of his captors. Manuelito still sat on the stone bench, keeping vigil watch, though his teeth chattered despite his best efforts, and his eyes were doubtless bulging out of their heads.

"You mustn't be sitting here all in the dark," said Pike. "Keep up a little fire, Ned, my boy. It's so far back and so far up the hill that the Indians cannot possibly see the light. I may make, even were they to come around to the east side of the mountain, to see them, but I'll come down here as quickly as possible. But keep a bright lookout yourself. Watch those trees down there to the front. Note everything occurring along the road as far as you can see, and if you see any Indians back there, get out of the hole as quick as you can."

After a while Pike went up to the front of the cave, and in this way the Indians in following would come directly in front of their bare beds at the mouth and from sixty to a hundred yards down the hill, and within easy range and almost sure shot of the deer.

And now, peering down into the road before Pike, could see that the leading Indians had come in sight of the wagons, and that they were signaling to those in the rear, for almost instantly there were four sinewy, athletic young fellows sprang up among the trees and boulders on the north side of the pass, and crouching like panthers, half crawling, half springing, they were flitting from rock to rock or tree to tree until lost to the view of the lone watcher on the great ledge, but it was evident that their purpose was to reconnoiter the position from that side, as well as to surround the objects of their pursuit should they still be there. Almost at the same instant, too, an equal number of the Tonitos were leaping like goats a short distance up the slope towards Pike's unconscious garners, and precisely the same number of their comrades across the road, rapidly, but with the utmost stealth and noiselessness, were down on the abandoned and noiseless wagons.

"We've got out of that, and found the Indians, too. It won't be two minutes before they satisfy themselves that there is no one left to defend those wagons or its horses—and the moment they do, there'll be a yell of delight."

There was a brief interval of silence, then came from below a shrill

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